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Hershey Company Announces New Facility in Ogden

The Hershey Company, North America's largest manufacturer of quality chocolate and sugar confectionery products, announced today that it would accept an incentive offered by the State of Utah for a distribution center to be built in Ogden, Utah.

"We're very pleased to be building Hershey's new distribution center in Ogden," said David J. West, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Hershey Company. "I want to thank the State of Utah and the city of Ogden for their support. Our new distribution center represents a significant investment in Utah and will contribute to Hershey's long-term success by enabling us to meet the needs of our customers."

Hershey's move to Utah, like that of other nationally recognized companies that are coming to our State, underscores the strength of the Utah economy going forward.

"Our productive workforce, superior location and transportation infrastructure, along with an unparalleled quality of life will continue to keep Utah in the forefront as one of America's best states for business," said Governor Jon Huntsman. "Hershey will be a great addition to the growing and vibrant Ogden community."

Hershey, a leading snack food company in the U.S. and Canada, exports to over 90 countries worldwide. The company was founded in 1893 by entrepreneur Milton Hershey and has become a publicly traded company with 13,000 employees.

The location of a new western distribution center in Utah is part of a company plan to make their distribution footprint more flexible, cost effective and relevant for their customers. 123 new full time jobs will be created in Ogden, Utah with company projected wages of \$36,829 average salary, which is 149 percent of the Weber County median salary. New state revenue will be about \$13 million over 10 years and the company will be making a capital investment of about \$38 million in the facility.

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Lisa: EDCU has just forwarded this list of "participating partners" in the Hershey deal. If possible they would like recognition when appropriate. So I have drafted a possible editor's note including the companies if you want to include it.

Governor's Office of Economic Development City of Ogden Business Depot Ogden Economic Development Corporation of Utah Big D Construction GSBS Architects

Editor's Note: The Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) recognizes that many partners were involved in helping attract the Hershey Company to Utah. Among those involved were The Economic Development Corporation of Utah (EDCUTAH) along with Ogden City and Utah companies Big D Construction and GSBS Architects.